



STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (SEPA)

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Description of Proposal: Sounder Yard Expansion Project

Sound Transit proposes to modify its existing train storage yard site in Lakewood, Washington. Proposed improvements include the addition of a third layover/storage track; relocation of existing crew administration facility from west side of tracks to trailer(s) east of the tracks with up to 45 automobile parking spaces; and updates to the existing yard roadways, site lighting security system, and drainage facilities as required.

Proponent: Sound Transit (Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority)

Location of the Proposal: Lakewood, WA. The site is located on the Sound Transit railroad right-of-way bounded by Steilacoom Boulevard SW to the north and 100th Street SW on the south and is currently used as a Sound Transit Storage Yard for Sounder Commuter Rail.

Lead Agency: Sound Transit

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposal does not have probable significant adverse environmental impacts on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after a review of the completed SEPA environmental checklist and other information on file with the agency. This information is available to the public on request. The SEPA Checklist can be reviewed on the Sound Transit website <http://www.soundtransit.org/Projects-and-Plans/Sounder-Yard-Improvements>. Printed copies of the SEPA Checklist are available at no charge upon request by contacting Lauren Swift, at (206) 398-5301 or lauren.swift@soundtransit.org.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and Sound Transit's SEPA rules (Resolution R7-1). The lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issue below. The public and agencies are invited to comment on this DNS by submitting written comments no later than 5:00 PM on November 22, 2013 to Lauren Swift, Environmental Planner, Environmental Affairs and Sustainability Office, 401 South Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104-2826. Email comments can be sent to lauren.swift@soundtransit.org. Both written and email comments should include an addressee and return address. The SEPA responsible official listed below will reconsider the DNS based on timely comments and may retain, modify, or if significant adverse impacts are likely, withdraw the DNS. If the DNS is retained, it will be final after the expiration of the comment deadline.

Responsible Official: Perry Weinberg
Position/Title: Director, Sound Transit Office of Environmental Affairs and Sustainability
Telephone: 206-689-4931
Address: Planning, Environment, and Project Development Department
Union Station, 401 South Jackson Street, Seattle, WA 98104-2826

You may appeal this determination to Joni Earl, Chief Executive Officer, Sound Transit, 401 South Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104-2826, no later than 21 days from the date of issuance, 5:00 p.m. on December 2, 2013 by submitting a written statement requesting an appeal, setting forth the information required by Sound Transit's SEPA rules (Resolution No. R7-1), and paying the required fee. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact the responsible official to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.

Auxiliary aids and services and communication materials in accessible format can be arranged with sufficient notice by calling (206) 398-5000, or (206) 398-5086 for TDD users.

Date of Issue: November 8, 2013

Signature:

